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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No. 10/664,234	Applicant(s) RUAN ET AL.	
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All Participants:

(1) Diana Johannsen.

(2) Barbara Ernst.
Status of Application: pending

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(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 7 September 2007
Time: NA
Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
the obviousness-type double patenting (ODP) rejections

Claims discussed:
 NA

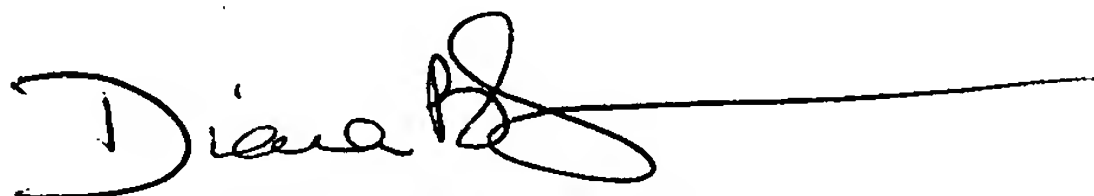
Prior art documents discussed:
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Part II.

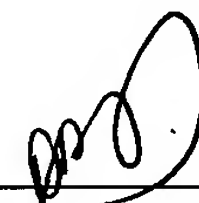
SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:
See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.



DIANA JOHANNSEN
 PRIMARY EXAMINER



NA

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: On 9/4/07, applicant's representative contacted the examiner regarding the ODP rejections of record. The rejections were briefly discussed on 9/7/07, with applicant's representative inquiring regarding the need to file a terminal disclaimer (TD) in the instant application given that it has the earliest filing date of the three applications. The examiner referred applicant's representative to MPEP 1490, and noted that if the claims in the instant application are eventually in condition for allowance and the only remaining rejections are the ODP rejections, the ODP rejections can be dropped in the instant (earliest filed) application and the application allowed to issue without the filing of a TD. The examiner indicated that applicant could respond to the ODP rejections by requesting that they be held in abeyance until allowable subject matter is identified (or by traversing the rejections, or by the filing of a TD).